CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA
OCTOBER 5, 2021 - CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

INVOCATION
Pastor Esteban Salazar of Iglesia Luterana Santa Cruz gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Councilmember Escobedo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER
Mayor Patino reconvened the meeting and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:
MEMBERS PRESENT:
Mayor Alice Patino, Councilmember Mike Cordero, Councilmember Carlos Escobedo, and Councilmember Etta Waterfield

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:
City Manager Jason Stilwell, City Attorney Thomas Watson, Assistant City Manager Andrew Hackleman, Director of Finance Mary Harvey, City Librarian Mary Housel, Chief Information Officer Jeffrey Marecic, Director of Public Works/City Engineer Kevin McCune, Director of Community Development Chuen Ng, Director of Recreation & Parks Alex Posada, Community Programs Manager Rosie Rojo, Chief of Police Marc Schneider, Director of Utilities Shad Springer, Fire Chief Todd Tuggle, Recreation & Parks Department Secretary Sheila Rothstein, and Deputy City Clerk Beth Cleary

1 PROCLAMATIONS

A. Councilmember Waterfield presented a Proclamation recognizing the week of October 2 - 8, 2021, as Active Aging Week in the City of Santa Maria. Twyla Bohl accepted the Proclamation.

B. Councilmember Cordero presented a Proclamation recognizing the week of October 3 - 9, 2021, as Fire Prevention Week in the City of Santa Maria. Fire Marshal, Jim Austin, accepted the Proclamation.

C. Councilmember Waterfield presented a Proclamation recognizing the week of October 10 - 16, 2021, as Code Enforcement Officer Appreciation Week in the City of Santa Maria. Code Enforcement Supervisor Joy Castaing accepted the Proclamation along with several members of the Code Enforcement Division.

2 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
Hilda Cabal spoke about the sanctity of life.

Tom Demenger requested that the City Council consider making the City a city of refuge.

Andrea Mayfield, James Testa, Gary Hall, Peggy Briarton, and Esther Jensen spoke in support of a Mobile Home Rent Stabilization Ordinance.

Marie Gardner spoke in opposition to Rent Control Ordinances.

3 CONSENT CALENDAR
Consent Calendar Items 3A-3K were approved as presented, including the adoption of Resolution Nos. 2021-105, 2021-106, 2021-107, 2021-108, 2021-109, and 2021-110. The recorded vote appears with each item below.

A. Waive the reading in full of all Ordinances and Resolutions. Ordinances on the Consent Agenda will be adopted by the same vote cast at the first meeting, unless City Council indicates otherwise.

Action: Readings waived.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo.
Motion carried. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

B. Approve the Minutes of the regular City Council meeting of September 7, 2021.

Action: Minutes approved as presented.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo.
Motion carried. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

C. Accept as complete the public landscaping and irrigation improvements associated with The Village at Westgate Ranch, Tract 5863; and

a) Authorize the release of the Faithful Performance Bond [#104651683] in the reduced amount of $130,262.43 for the installation of landscaping and irrigation improvements; and

b) Order the Contractor to retain the Labor and Material Bond in the amount of $217,104.05 until April 2022 and the Maintenance bond in the amount of $65,691.60 to be retained until October 2022.

Action: Faithful Performance Bond #104651683 released.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion carried. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

D. Adopt a resolution ratifying the Director of Emergency Services' Covid-19 Local Emergency Order and Regulation No. 2021-1 rescinding the City's temporary eviction moratorium and prohibition on temporary flower stands.

Action: Local Emergency Order ratified.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2021-105. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

E. Payment of Warrants. Ordered ratified subject to having been certified as being in conformity with the budget and having been approved for payment by the Director of Finance.

Action: Warrants ratified.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo.

F. Payment of Payroll. Ordered ratified subject to having been certified by the proper Department Directors, as shown on records on file in the Department of Finance, and having been approved for payment by the Director of Finance.

Action: Payroll ratified.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion carried. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

G. Adopt a Resolution establishing a no stopping zone on East McElhany Avenue.

Action: No stopping zone on East McElhany approved.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Soto. 4-0.

H. Adopt a Resolution establishing no stopping zones on Meehan Street and Shepard Drive.

Action: No stopping zone on Meehan and Shepard approved.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Soto. 4-0.

I. Adopt a Resolution establishing no stopping zones on East Newlove Drive.

Action: No stopping zone on East Newlove approved.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2021-108. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

J. Adopt a Resolution establishing no stopping zones on East Donovan Road.

Action: No stopping zone on East Donovan approved.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2021-109. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

K. Adopt a Resolution establishing a limited time parking zone on North Russell Avenue.

Action: Limited time parking zone on North Russell approved.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion carried. Adopted as Resolution No. 2021-110. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

4 PRESENTATIONS

A. The City Council received the Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce, Economic Development Commission, Visitors Bureau and Tourism Marketing District 2020-2021 Annual Report. Chamber President and CEO, Glenn Morris gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report.

5 REGULAR BUSINESS

A. **REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS CAPITAL PROJECT PROPOSALS.** The City Council reviewed and prioritized the Capital project proposals for FY 2022-23 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. Community Programs Manager Rojo gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report.

Public input
There were no requests to speak or written communications.

Action: The City Council indicated that priority should be given to ADA Pedestrian Safety and Accessibility in low-to-moderate income areas of the City and that the Rehabilitation of Perlman Park be given last priority on the list of proposed projects.
Moved by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Escobedo. Motion carried. Absent: Councilmember Soto. 4-0.

REPORT BY CITY MANAGER
City Manager Stilwell reported that the next regular City Council meeting would be October 19, 2021. Items on the agenda would include Solid Waste Rates and User Fees and a Water Bond Refinance that should save millions of dollars in user fees.

ORAL REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS AND OFFICERS (INCLUDING AB1234 REPORTS)
Councilmember Cordero reported he attended the League of California Cities Conference; the Ribbon Cutting for Still Medical Facility; a United Way Board meeting; and the Elks K-9 Fundraiser.

Councilmember Escobedo reported he attended the Elks Football Fundraiser.

Councilmember Waterfield reported she attended the Elks K-9 Fundraiser.

Mayor Patino reported she attended an APCD Board Meeting; the Elected Leaders Forum to Address Homelessness meeting; the Commemoration of September 11th; both of the 3CE Annual and Policy Board meetings; a Broadband Discussion with SBCAG; the League of California Cities Conference; and a Minerva Club meeting.

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Patino declared the City Council meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Approved at a regular meeting on October 19, 2021.

Rhonda M. White, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk and ex officio Clerk
of the City Council

ATTEST:

10/21/2021
Rhonda M. White, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk

Alice M. Patino
Mayor of the City of Santa Maria